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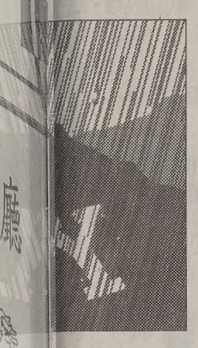

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"This is not about the Clinton administration; this is about all Americans," Gingrich added.

"I don't believe we can put (military action against Iraq) off," said House National Security Committee Chairman Floyd Spence, R-S.C. "Of course, if we do it now, some people are going to say it's to divert attention (away from the sex scandal). I don't think so. It's been planned for a while."

If Clinton acts, Spence said, "I believe he would get the support of people like myself."

Rep. C.W. "Bill" Young, R-Fla., chairman of the House Appropriations national security subcommittee, said Iraq's refusal to cooperate on weapons inspections justifies more than the "pinprick" strikes the United States has launched at Iraq on several occasions since the end of the 1991 Gulf War.

Strike aircraft afloat and at air bases in the Persian Gulf region, along with airborne and seaborne cruise missiles, await the "go" order from Clinton in what senior defense officials say is likely to be a series of attacks.

"The diplomatic options have exhausted themselves," Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said Tuesday, "and that leaves us little choice to achieve our goals than to look at military action." If Iraq retaliates by using chemical or biological weapons, which the United Nations suspects may already be mounted on Iraqi missiles, "the response would be decisive and devastating," he said.

Before the bombs and missiles fly, Clinton is dispatching his top foreign policy officials on a hastily assembled swing through Europe and the Mideast to press for support for the U.S. policy. Britain supports the United States in favoring strong action against Iraq to ensure U.N. inspectors are allowed free access. But France, China and Russia have hedged.

Albright is due to depart Thursday to meet with French, British and Russian foreign ministers and then go to the Persian Gulf for talks with leaders of Arab countries that are within Iraq's range. Defense Secretary William Cohen is weighing a parallel trip to consult with Arab allies.

The Clinton administration is concerned about widening the rift in the Gulf War coalition by striking Iraq when Arab nations and other allies such as France and Russia are urging continued diplomatic efforts.

The increasing momentum behind a campaign of air strikes follows weeks of intransigence by Iraq toward international weapons inspectors seeking to verify Iraqi compliance with the peace terms that ended the Gulf War. Those terms forbid Iraq from stockpiling chemical, biological or nuclear weapons, and U.N. inspectors have been denied access to what they regard as sensitive sites that may hold weapons or weapons-production facilities.

Because Saddam is failing to comply with the U.N. terms, he must face a resumption of hostilities, said Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn. "That's the only language he listens to," Lieberman said.

U.S. commanders have been planning strike packages for months. The list of possible targets includes Iraqi stockpiles of chemical and biological weapons, missiles and launchers that might be used to deliver those weapons and weapons production facilities.

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Different strokes

Gail Burnham, a Provo resident, paints for a beginners painting class she is auditing in the Harris Fine Arts Center Wednesday. Burnham says that even though she hasn't painted in a "long time," she is remembering quickly and having fun.

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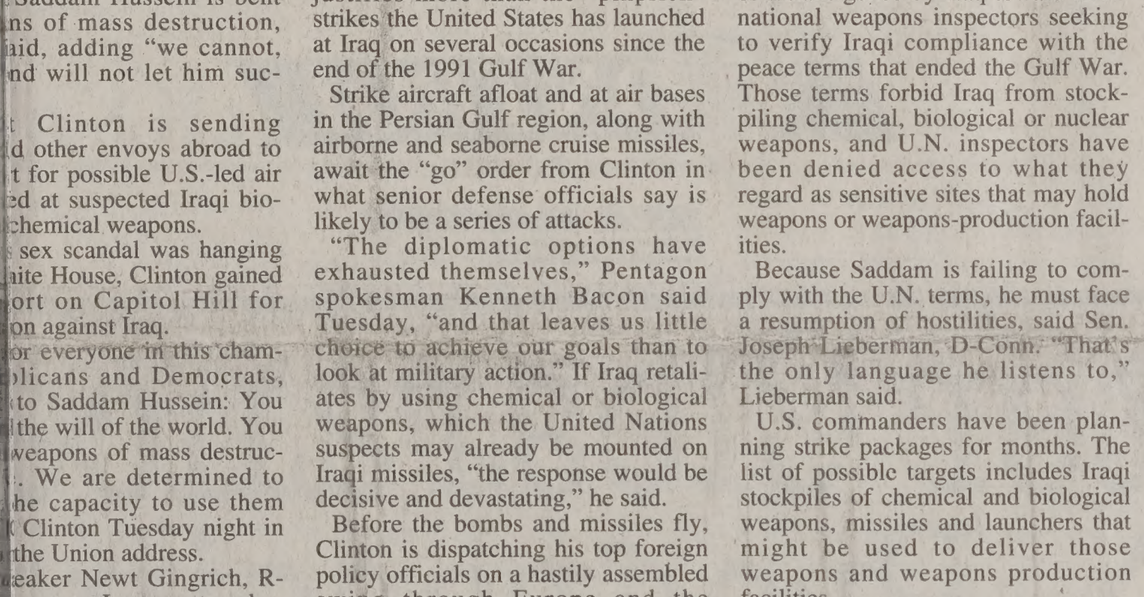

Illustration by John Lepinski

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With an R-rated crisis in the White House, teachers who keep adolescents up on current events need a PG way to deal with history in the making.

Their answer generally is to let parents handle the sex part. But it is not always easy to keep the focus on legal issues in a classroom full of students with stirring hormones.

"It's awfully hard to keep it where it's not so sensationalized," said Steve Stutsman, an eighth-grade teacher at West Side Middle School in Elkhart, Ind. "The kids, they want to talk about the sexual part. They don't understand that if you're going to get in trouble it's because of legal problems."

"I tell them to talk to their parents. That's basically what I tell them about sexual preference or sexual relations and go from there."

Of course, politics stirs passions on its own, and that's shaping some discussions in President Clinton's home state of Arkansas.

At Woodland Junior High in Fayetteville, one eighth-grade class read newspaper accounts, but the teacher held no discussion.

"As far as any comments being made in class, they're not," said principal Evelyn Marbury. The teacher "just wants them to be aware of what's going on. We don't want to put our spin on it at all."

Merrell Walker, a ninth-grade teacher at Ahlf Junior High School in Searcy, Ark., said there's a strong message not to judge too quickly.

"When any current issue is discussed in the classroom, we remind students that a person should carefully weigh all the facts and information available before forming an opinion," she said in a statement that had to be cleared by her supervisors. "We also remind students that the media information may or may not be accurate when it is reported."

In Elkhart, Stutsman noted a problem with preconceived notions.

"Especially up here in Indiana, they haven't really trusted Clinton very much anyway. And my big thing is I tell the kids, 'You may not like the man, but you've got to respect the office,' and that's what I tell them."

Teacher Carol Huckaby at Cartersville Middle School in Cartersville, Ga., said that parents still have a lot of influence over children's attitudes at that age. Her sixth-grade class is divided.

And when it came to the first marriage, Hillary Rodham Clinton's television appearance in which she emphatically stood by her man had an impact.

"When I explained that she was very supportive of her husband, 'Then if she's not mad, why should we be mad?' one child asked. That's the attitude sixth-graders have."

She doesn't go into detail about the sexual allegations. "I just said a girlfriend or an affair, which they know about."

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...AARON BOYD
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...r discuss or speculate on ...ns publicly before making a decision," said spokesman Tom Waldrop." Something can look pretty certain and fall apart."

Intel already has a facility in American Fork which specializes in Intel's networking division. The American Fork facility employs about 400 to 500 people, and no plans to expand those facilities have been announced.

"We don't necessarily have any plans," Calder said. "We typically are always looking for possible new locations and various sites around the world."

Calder said that the reports on Intel's investigation of Utah as a possible site should not be perceived to be definite plans until the company makes a formal announcement.

"That [the reports] should in no way be construed as a confirmation that Intel is in fact going to locate in any particular location," Calder said.

New programs ease freshman transition

By JARED GOOCH
Universe Staff Writer

In keeping with the administration's requests to improve the freshman experience, BYU continues to search for programs that will help new students make the transition into college.

During Fall Semester 1997, the Student Leadership Involvement Center initiated an idea called "extended orientation" for incoming students. Essentially, the program extends the freshman Y-Group from a week-long orientation into a semester-long relationship.

The idea came about because of pressure applied by the Board of Trustees to take a serious look at the BYU freshman experience. President Hinckley was concerned and told the board to take special care of its freshmen.

"The freshman year makes or breaks the college experience," said Sallie Larsen, coordinator for Student Programs. "They have to worry about their grades, the academic experience and social adjustments. The purpose for everyone involved is to create a better experience for these new students."

Part of the program involved students filling out a special passport issued at the beginning of Fall Semester. Each student then had the opportunity to complete the items on the passport, get the required stamps and then receive a free BYU T-shirt as a reward.

Among the items required were things such as attending a Y-Group honor code session, making an academic plan with an advisor and visiting the Campus Involvement Center.

Students were encouraged to continue activities with their Y-Groups throughout the semester; this way it was felt they could make an easier transition into college.

"I think it is a great idea," said Mistie Cowley, a senior from Orem majoring in recreation management and youth leadership, who was a Y-Group leader. "It helps the kids meet new friends, and they can continue those friendships throughout the whole year."

"It was good," said Janalynne Christie, also a Y-Group leader and a junior from San Jose, Calif., majoring in accounting. "I saw some of them on campus together. They wouldn't have met if it hadn't been for the Y-Group."

How successful the program really was is something that is still being debated. Because this was the first year that it was initiated, coordinators are still trying to modify the activities and iron out the wrinkles.

"I think what I would like to see added is a small library orientation program," said Diane Davenport, a freshman from Greenfield, Ind., with an open major. Davenport said that although the orientation helped her get a feel for the campus buildings, activities and resources, she was at a loss in the huge library.

Some people have suggested that the program should allow more time for activities, while others have said they need to make the activities cheaper. One of the biggest concerns, however, is whether or not an orientation that lasts an entire semester is simply too long.

"I would recommend that we shorten it dramatically," Larsen said. "I think that students have a lot going on their first year. They are so busy with their own world. We didn't have the participation that we had hoped."

Larsen based her comments on feedback received from students and Y-Group leaders.

"The week of Y-Group, everyone came," Christie said. "But then school started and everyone got busy."

Other parts of the program seem to help students learn their way around campus. The "Traditions" showcase, a presentation about BYU traditions, "building cards," relaying locations and information about buildings, and discounts to BYU plays and concerts were among some of the parts of the program.

News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Van, car collide; car driver injured

PROVO — A van owned by the LDS Church collided with another vehicle at North Temple View and 900 East Wednesday around 9:20 a.m.

The driver of a white Mazda Protege suffered a collapsed lung and was taken to the Utah Valley Regional Medical Center, said Officer Erik Knutzen of the Provo Police Department.

The driver of the van was uninjured.

Knutzen said the van was traveling northbound, and the car was traveling southbound.

While making a left turn, the driver of the van failed to yield to the Mazda, and the vehicles collided head-on, Knutzen said.

The car was towed, and the van was driven from the scene.

Russians discover radiation dump

MOSCOW — Russian emergency workers have located the source of radiation that has contaminated 30 acres in Chechnya and is still emitting dangerous levels of radiation, officials said Wednesday.

The source of the contamination is 50 feet off a highway outside the Chechen city of Argun and 6 to 8 inches underground, said Viktor Beltsov, a spokesman for Russia's Emergency Situations Ministry.

It is emitting radiation at a rate of 200 roentgens an hour. An annual exposure to five roentgens of radiation is considered safe.

The discovery of the radioactive site was reported earlier this month. Since then, officials have sealed off the contaminated area, mapped it and warned residents of the danger, Beltsov said.

The source of the radiation has not been revealed.

Environmental groups say there are scores of radioactive sites across the former Soviet Union, and cash-strapped governments have been unable to clean them up. Beltsov said the ministry is currently working on several sites in Chechnya alone.

Study blames oceans for wobble

NEW YORK — The oceans are pushing Earth around.

That's the conclusion of a study of what makes the Earth wobble a few yards as it spins on its axis.

Prior studies have blamed winds pushing on Earth's surface, and differences in air pressure on one side of mountains vs. the other side.

Most studies have also suggested something else is going on too, probably in the oceans.

The new work finds evidence that the same two processes cited in the atmosphere are happening in the ocean too, with ocean currents and differences in water pressure contributing to the wobble.

The evidence emerged from a computer simulation of the oceans.

Rui Ponte of Atmospheric and Environmental Research Inc. of Cambridge, Mass., and scientists at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge will present their study in today's issue of the journal Nature.

The wobble has been going on "ever since the Earth was born," Ponte said.

Doughnut robber guilty of stupidity

NORTHBRIDGE, Mass. — Tips for robbing the doughnut shop where you used to work: 1. DO disguise your voice. 2. DON'T let your accomplice call you by your real name. 3. DON'T leave a trail of coins leading to your apartment.

Police said a former Dunkin' Donuts employee who failed on all three counts was arrested Tuesday and charged with armed robbery and assault with a deadly weapon.

Two masked men brandishing a tire iron and hatchet broke into the shop around 1 a.m. Tuesday, striking an employee in the head before running away.

Police said Alberto J. Vazquez, 18, admitted taking part in the robbery after they followed a trail of coins and footprints to his apartment building, two doors down from the shop. Inside the building, police said they found more than $1,400 in cash, two ski masks, a tire iron and a hatchet.

The injured employee also told police he recognized Vazquez's voice, especially after the other man called him "A.J." — his nickname.

First lady assures truth will come out

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A grand jury investigation into allegations of a presidential affair and cover-up accelerated Wednesday as prosecutors questioned the former White House chief of staff and weighed an offer from former intern Monica Lewinsky to testify, in exchange for immunity from prosecution.

Hillary Rodham Clinton, meanwhile, made clear her husband plans to keep quiet about the details of his relationship with the young woman while he weathers the crisis. "Nobody can expect the president to say anything more publicly," Mrs. Clinton said.

Attorney William Ginsburg, who represents Lewinsky, said Whitewater prosecutors investigating the case have been in regular contact as they try to clarify various points in his client's offer.

Lewinsky swore in an affidavit earlier this month, in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case, that she did not have an affair. But prosecutors have custody of secretly recorded conversations in which Lewinsky tells a friend she did have an affair and was asked to lie about it.

Ginsburg has declined to say whether Lewinsky would change her original testimony in the affidavit. But he said Wednesday that one thing prosecutors are likely to do if a deal is struck is to ask her to submit to "various forensic procedures, including polygraph examinations."

Mrs. Clinton told ABC's "Good Morning America" that the president was getting on with the nation's business, and "because there's an investigation going on nobody can expect the president to say anything more publicly."

Wednesday, the first lady repeatedly expressed assurances that the full truth will come out eventually, and said she was confident the matter will "fade into oblivion."

"You won't hear any more from (Clinton friend) Vernon Jordan, you won't hear any more from my husband, because they have to abide by the rules that they operate under when they have these investigations," she said.

No gag order prevents Clinton from discussing his relationship with Lewinsky or many other matters under the scrutiny of Kenneth Starr's Whitewater inquiry. Indeed Clinton made a brief statement on Monday while declining to answer questions.

The president is legally bound only to avoid discussing details of his deposition last week in Paula Jones' lawsuit against him.

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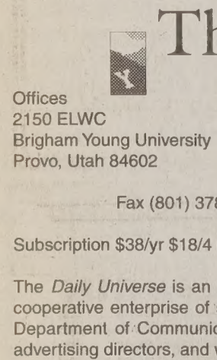
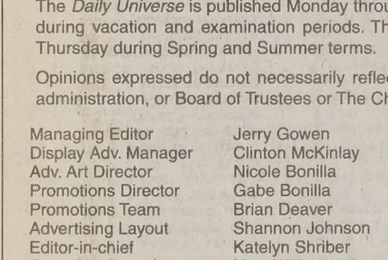


"Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

— *Isaiah 1:18*



Amber Smith likes this scripture because "it shows how the Lord is willing to work with us on our level and forgive us of our sins unconditionally." Amber is a sophomore from El Paso, Texas, majoring in dietetics.

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SHANDA MURRAY
Universe Staff Writer

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Angel VanHeel/Daily Universe

George Vaieland, assistant director of BYU admissions, served in Bosnia from 1996-97 as a warrant officer in the Utah Army National Guard. He said Bosnia was like stepping back in time to post-World War II era with bombed out buildings and people trying to pick up their lives. He spoke Wednesday at a forum for the David M. Kennedy Center for International Studies lecture series.

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— George Vaieland, rmer soldier in Bosnia

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ond me to understand the horror," Vaieland said. describes his first sight of is way: "Dumbstruck, I thought I was driving into post-World War II. Buildings were blown up, pock-marked."

The buildings and houses in sight were demolished. The doorways of remaining houses were booby trapped, he said.

If they didn't "catch the owner when he left, maybe catch him when he gets home," Vaieland said.

Vaieland said mostly women and children are living in impoverished conditions. They are trying hard to make some sort of living. Old women try to sell clothes to make money for food.

"I'm not used to seeing old women sitting in the mud in the ditch," Vaieland said.

The Bosnian people have been kicked out of their homes by people they have known and grown up with all of their lives, Vaieland said.

He asked the audience to imagine how it would feel to wake up on a Saturday morning to someone who baby-sat your daughter, demanding that you pack up your belongings and leave.

To the Bosnian people, peace is still only a dream. If the peace-keeping efforts are not there, it might take decades, but hopefully things will work out, Vaieland said.

People still have political differences, but they maintain hope for a peace in the future. "People come up to you and say thank you for being here so that our life can go on," Vaieland said.

He said he was proud to be a part of the effort in Bosnia. He said he was "struck by the quality of people there. They had a sense of trust, sense of mission. Not fun, but they knew they had a job to do."

Make creative effort, Lund says

By STEPHANIE HALFORD
Universe Staff Writer

Gerald Lund spoke to students and faculty Wednesday on the importance for art that represents LDS values in today's society.

The LDS author was part of a lecture series on LDS literature sponsored by the BYU English Department.

Lund said art is an expression of the spirit that lifts and builds another and brings the participant back again and again, which was the theme of his address.

There are three things that make a difference in art created and embraced, he said. These things must be perfectly balanced in an equilateral triangle: excellence, entertainment and edification.

"Too often we can find only two of the three," Lund said.

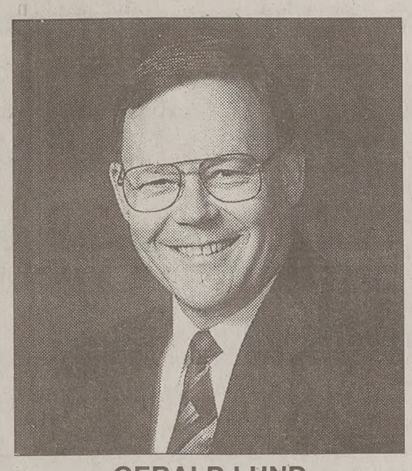
He used Victor Hugo's "Les Miserables" to illustrate this balanced triangle. Lund said this piece of work not only reaches the highest level of finesse, skill and constancy, it is also highly entertaining. Most importantly, it uplifts and is spiritually building.

"Latter-day Saints have a very high tolerance for mediocrity," Lund said. "When we find something that represents our values, beliefs and culture ... it's such a rare thing, that we are happy to embrace it."

If it entertains, it is popular, Lund said. Entertainment is the least any viewer should expect from art.

According to Lund, LDS writing needs to transcend Mormon culture and have a broader appeal.

"'Saturday's Warrior' is entertaining, yet goes right over the heads of most people. Excellence is compromised," Lund said.



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A challenge to LDS authors was given by Sir Arthur Henry King when he said, "Mormon artists should be people who believe in the Mormon religion, who have a testimony and who write from that. But they need not write especially for Mormons, and they need not write especially on Mormon subjects ... The task of the Mormon artist of the future is to be an artist to the world — a powerful potential for conversion — to represent Mormon values to the world by his art."

Lund identified two aspects of human nature: the intuitive self and the rational self. All good ideas start with the intuitive self and there is "a miserable conduit of process to get to the other self," Lund said.

He described writing as hard work and said that too many people have wonderful ideas but are not wiling to put forth the effort to "push through the conduit" to create something wonderful.

Lund is most noted for his fictional series "The Work and the Glory." He has also written several non-fiction books including "The Alliance" and "The Freedom Factor." He has worked full-time for 32 years for the LDS Church Education System.

Although he has a busy schedule, Lund finds time to devote to writing. "I don't watch much T.V., and I don't golf. Writing is an obsessive hobby," Lund said.

-a-Glance

: The RMYL Department ng a Job Fair today from 1:30 p.m. It will be held 5 RB. The following orga- will be interviewing for ployment: Great Salt Lake BSA, Trapper Trails SA, Utah National Parks SA, Girl Scouts of the n Grove, Concept Key, stopulos. Also today out Ranch will be in the Center, and then in room 1. 30. Friendly Pines and ow Camps will be inter- room 273 RB Feb. 9 and 10, beginning at 9 a.m. For more information, contact Barbara Lindeman at 378-3140.

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LAW SCHOOL: The BYU Law School is sponsoring a Restatement of Mortgages Symposium today beginning at 8 a.m. in 2258 Conference Center. It will feature "Restatement of Mortgages" by Dale A. Whitman of BYU and Grant S. Nelson of the University of California, Los Angeles. Included in the symposium are speakers who were advisors to the writing of the document. It will be beneficial to those in the mortgage and banking industry. For more information or to register, call 378-6384. The registration fee is $25, the luncheon is $10 and CLE credit is available.

rector of finance retires

REW A. LAMBERT
iverse Staff Writer

ly 30 years of service to rd M. Austin, manager of yable, is retiring Friday. of Star Valley, Wyo., uated from BYU in 1963 ree in accounting. He y went to work for the artment of The Church of of Latter-day Saints. years of service there, to work for the financial partment at BYU in July

rved as the director of and financial reporting he accounts payable man-

Orton, director of student rvices and Austin's co- Austin is dedicated to his work and to BYU. Austin has always been helpful to people working in the various departments, Orton said.

Aside from his professional career with the LDS Church, Austin has served in a variety of callings in the LDS Church. He has served as bishop, branch president and is currently serving as a stake patriarch.

Having served a mission for the LDS Church in Japan in the 1950s, Austin accepted a call in 1993 to return to Japan as president of the Japan, Sendai mission.

"He has a deep love for the Japanese people," said Sherrie Austin, his wife.

Orton also said Austin loves the Japanese people.

In their business trips together, Austin would often surprise Japanese tourists by speaking to them in their native tongue.

In Yosemite National Park, Orton recalled, Austin began to speak to a group of Japanese tourists. The group patiently listened, and then one member of the group said, "Sorry sir, we don't speak Japanese. We're from San Francisco."

David Elkington, a senior from Provo majoring in philosophy, and a former missionary in the Japan, Sendai mission, said Austin is an extremely energetic individual.

"It was all we missionaries could do to keep up with him," he said.

Elkington said Austin had great concern for all the missionaries and LDS members.

"His greatest asset is his commitment to the gospel and his family," Sherrie Austin said.

Friends and associates of Richard Austin are invited to an open house Friday in the Alumni House from 3-5 p.m.

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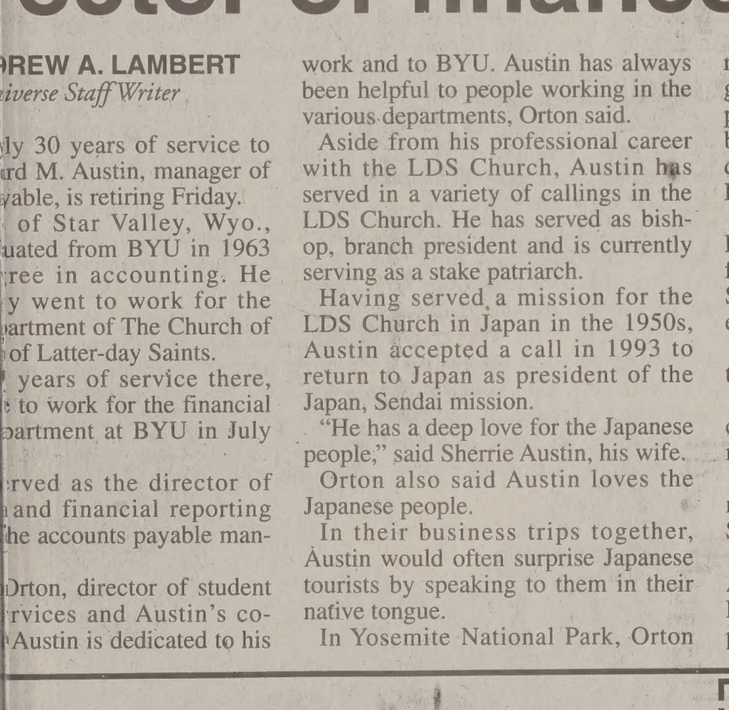

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OPINION

Pollution redistribution

The emissions credit trading plan Sen. LeRay McAllister, R-Orem, touts as a bold new step toward pollution control seems more like an environmental fumble — and Utah's Cannon brothers are holding the trip-wire.

The plan allows businesses that pass emissions tests to sell their extra pollution credits to a company unable to meet the standard. Experts say this can help reduce regional pollution, but what about those who live near the plant that bought the right to claim clean air?

Those in favor of the plan argue emissions trading has been shown to reduce overall pollution in California. True, but those of us who breathe the air should know the same people also admit it can cause "hot spots" with high levels of carbon monoxide.

Gary Bryner, a BYU political science professor and member of the Utah Valley Clean Air Coalition, said in a Jan. 23 Daily Herald article that emission trading may help the overall environment, but hurt localized problems like carbon monoxide.

But does a little extra carbon monoxide really make a difference? Yes, according to a study by the Office of Management and Budget. The study estimated with a 95 percent confidence interval that in Provo, 64 of the cardiopulmonary deaths in 1989 could be attributed to air pollution. Compare that to the 41 deaths that year from car accidents.

Is it worth sacrificing a few for the whole? Your answer may depend on whether you're part of the few.

Apparently politicians like Chris Cannon, R-Utah, feel Capitol Hill is a safe distance from factory smokestacks. According to Project Vote Smart's National Political Awareness Test, Cannon supports the selling of pollution credits. Good for him: Literally, it is good for him.

Cannon and his brother Joseph became multimillionaires upon purchasing Geneva Steel in 1987. Joseph is now the sole operator of Geneva, but Chris continues to show brotherly support.

Chris isn't the only one fighting the Environmental Protection Agency. In 1996, Joe organized a lobbying group called the Air Quality Standards Coalition to fight new EPA air pollution regulations. Also heading the group is fellow Geneva Steel worker and former Bush presidential counsel C. Boyden Gray.

What happened to the voice of the people? Utah politicians seem to be patting the back of big business while stabbing the back of the public.

McAllister says he is sponsoring the legislation because it will help reduce overall pollution. But Cannon and others seem motivated less by ideals than profit. Geneva Steel argues it has spent more than $100 million for environmental modernization since 1989. To what lengths might the Cannons go to avoid spending even more? Tighter regulation means tighter budgets. Both the EPA and big business are flexing their muscles, and when the tug-of-war is over, the public may be the ones left in the mud.

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Viewpoint

Consider implications more carefully

by Aaron Shill
special to the Universe

Brigham Young University has unfortunately provided its students with another example of a public relations slip-up.

The university has received its share of hammering from the media over the past year, and the increasingly negative publicity surrounding BYU should concern students who attend and love this institution.

The decisions made by a sound administration are being presented to the public in a poor manner. In short, BYU is suffering from bad PR.

The latest addition to BYU's image problem emerges from the Varsity Theater's decision to cancel an edited version of the movie "Amistad." The film, which contains scenes of violence and nudity, has an R rating, and therefore is not acceptable to BYU.

However, the Varsity made the mistake of scheduling "Amistad" before the film was released into theaters.

The reasoning behind the decision is solid. According to BYU spokeswoman Carri Jenkins, officials felt they would not be able to edit "Amistad" to suitable standards for the Varsity. Because the actual showing of the film is an issue of university standards, the decision not to show "Amistad" should not be questioned.

But the issue of the public's perception remains. The negative publicity could have been avoided by not scheduling the movie so far in advance. Had the officials viewed the movie before announcing its run at the Varsity, the decision would be a non-issue.

Instead, the Varsity Theater's pulling of "Amistad" has made its way into headlines and newscasts around the state. KSL-TV reported that the university had banned the film. Because of poor planning, the administration's decisions are receiving unwarranted criticism.

Although the issue has not received major attention, it has contributed a poorer public perception of BYU that began with the pulling of certain sculptures in the Rodin exhibit and the announcement of the new housing policy.

The Rodin exhibit raised questions of academic freedom, while the new housing policy generated such a backlash that BYU eventually backed off.

Because BYU adheres itself to higher standards of morality and conduct, it is understandable that some of the administration's decisions are met with scrutiny outside the university.

BYU should not, and will not, be considered mainstream. However, careful public relations can help alleviate the stress brought on by negative public perception. Concerning the "Amistad" issue, the university has done nothing wrong in pulling the movie. However, a lack of simple foresight has attached another undeserved label to BYU.

At a time when the LDS Church as a whole is benefiting from positive publicity, prudence should be exercised when dealing with the perceptions of those outside of BYU.

Readers' Forum

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No exceptions

Michael Whiteley
Florence, Mont.

The following hypothetical story may shed some light on Casey Martin's desire to play in the PGA.

You know, I was very good at football in my high school days, and I would have played in college, except for a disability that I have: a bad knee. I was wondering if you think the NCAA would let me use a cart on the field? I could be the running back, they would just throw me the ball and I'd go. It would not really be unfair, because I have this disability.

If you can't do all that is required to play a sport, then you can't expect to be a professional athlete. Casey Martin, in my opinion, should not be able to use a cart. That would be unjust to all of the other athletes. Walking the holes is part of the game, and no one can expect to get out of it.

Irresponsible review

John P. Gambee
Junction City, Ore.

The review of the movie "Titanic" was irresponsible and in line with Isaiah's prophecy that in the last days "they who lead thee cause thee to err" (2 Nephi 13:12).

The review heralded the movie. It shouldn't have.

Why would I be so ignorant as to suggest that a movie which won numerous Golden Globe Awards (and will receive many more) should not be heralded? The movie portrays a women being painted in the buff for nearly five minutes. The actors in the show repeatedly profane the Lord's name by asking or commanding him to condemn a huge variety of things. The movie includes a scene where the two stars engage in sexual activity in the back of a car. Audiences are also treated to a graphic display of people dying cruel and violent deaths.

The pamphlet "For the Strength of Youth" teaches, "Don't be afraid to walk out of a movie ... if what is being presented does not meet your Heavenly Father's standards." Nudity, profanity and pre marital sex do not meet our Heavenly Father's standards.

To herald a movie that portrays these type of activities is irresponsible. We have been challenged to avoid bear tracks in the entertainment we view. We have been warned about movies that have R and PG-13 ratings because they encourage immoral behavior. When we fall short we need to repent and change.

It is interesting to me that we have digressed, in spite of these warnings, to the point were I could take a date to a movie like this and be thanked at the end of the date. The words of a poem come to mind: "Vice is a monster so frightful and mein, to be hated needs but to be seen. But seen to oft familiar with her face, first pitied, then endured, then embraced."

We have embraced a lot of things we should not have. "Titanic" and the review it received in this newspaper are an example of this. We need to recognize that it was not worth our time or monetary support. It promotes sin and the devil's work. Steer clear.

Buy 'em

Julie Hatch
Orem

On Jan. 22, several students wrote a plea to the powers in charge that students' seats at basketball games not be sold to anyone other than students.

I agree that the student section should not be tampered with. Here's a simple solution: Buy the tickets.

Students have always been given first priority to buy student tickets. If they are not sold, indicating a decrease in demand, good business practice suggests that they be made available to non-students.

You ask who can question that all of the chants, cheers and just plain noise is coming from the student section? I can. I don't sit in the student section. As a staff member, I sit in the faculty/staff section. There is a lot of cheering going on in other parts of the Marriott Center. There was a lot of cheering going on before the students decided to show up for the Utah game. Most of us non-students have been cheering for a long time. We showed up to the games last year and watched a team with a lot of heart lose some tough games.

Before getting upset at the retirees who want to be able to see, remember that they are down close because they have been buying tickets for a long time. They could have been like a lot of people who didn't renew their tickets this year. Instead, they are there supporting the team just like they have for many years. Rather than criticism, they deserve our respect and common courtesy.

Ax 'Tunnel-Tyrant'

Laura Sanderson
Scottsdale, Ariz.
Kole Winters
Portland, Ore.

When one thinks of BYU traditions, they think of spirituality, togetherness and fun. However, these positive connotations are often shattered by reality.

Case in point: the Tunnel-Singing Tyrant.

Once tunnel-singing was a bonding experience for students. Now it is a time of frustration as the singers listen to this man barking off hymn numbers.

Just last Sunday he harshly said the following comment to someone who quietly suggested a hymn number: "Excuse me, last I checked, we didn't take requests."

This remark clearly does not display Christ-like love. Neither do his glaring responses to simple requests to sing a hymn. We understand he is in place to maintain order, but we doubt that a little common courtesy would result in chaos. The tunnel singers are for the people, by the people and of the people. When was this man elected to office? Was this a hand-down of position, like that of King Benjamin to wicked King Noah?

BYU traditions are there to enhance the BYU experience. It is tragic that one man can bring down the spirit of the event. We are fed up with this suppresser of song suggestions and propose a boycott until this situation is resolved. For those who feel the same way, we urge them to relocate to the Richards Building tunnel for an uplifting tunnel singing experience.

Reforms hurting

Todd Lassig
Fountain Valley, Calif.

I read with interest Tuesday "A Lesson From the Land Down Under."

We were told that the Australian government and society "are engaging [their] own history in a critical way," a history which includes displacement of Australian aborigines.

The message we were to receive was that because indigenous peoples are more recognized in Australian politics, somehow the method of responding to aborigine needs is more effective or kind than how the United States has responded to the needs of native Americans.

Having lived in Australia's Northern Territory, and experienced close association with Maili tribe members living in the town of Katherine and Kalando Aboriginal community nearby, I feel the so called "reconciliation movement" has in many ways done more harm than good to aborigines.

Those who live on lands give ernment often do so in conditi consider third world. They are c sion" or welfare check which ernment dependence. American much in common with the abo conditions they frequently e below the American poverty leve

In most instances, the land gi ines is the least profitable or a some national parks being notab When valuable commodities, su nium deposits of Melville Islan ered on aboriginal lands, the g been quick to claim those as its tle or no compensation to the ab

The plight of indigenous pe corrected. However, we do a American Indians by saying the society which knows how to made by generations centuries b

Speaking about problems o them. Solutions take a willingn past behind us, and courage t those who came before should h

Clinton's denial

Richard Swan
Seattle, Wash.

Bill Clinton is not lying in his the press, but he is not denying t either.

He knows how to use the lan you to believe he meant one t fact he meant another.

His first statement was, "There er sexual relationship or any o relationship."

His second statement, "I did n relations with that woman," wa successful. I have heard and see people saying that Clinton "d sex."

Even my wife and I thought ir had finally made a blanket den an astute reporter pointed out "sexual relations" has a very spe You can look it up.

Bill says that he did not tell He did not tell anyone to lie, h gested, insinuated, hinted that they wanted to, deny, deny, den that is quibbling. But to Bill, the tinction is enough.

Traffic cameras

Laurence Seave
Orem

Hans-Wilhelm Kelling's letter derful case for photo-patrollin There was a time when Utah ha system designed to photograph reckless drivers on the highwa Photo-Cop program was shut do

First, Photo-Cop did not promised revenue, but the prin was shut down was because plained.

As a victim of an auto-pedes which not only seriously injured my nine year old sister, I have supporter of Photo-Cop, and wa saddened to see it shut down. I th sion of Photo-Cop would have desired traffic control. I know t cameras at many of its major where the film is used as eviden investigations. The only thing k Cop off the streets is the people.

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alumnus to direct film

KEVIN D. GULLEDGE
Universe Staff Writer

U alumnus and recent award- g graduate of the film direc- ogram at UCLA will get his ot at directing a feature- ilm.

Marriott will be working creenplay by James Bridges, from John Updike's novel e Farm." The drama focuses ense weekend encounter a a widow and her only son, urns to the family farm with nd wife and stepchild for a

ott was chosen by producer arson after the screening of t's thesis film, "The Snow Marriott was awarded the Larson/Bridges award of to use in the production of is. "The Snow Child," which ed at the Varsity Theater last r, was adapted from a n folk tale about a childless who build a snow child that o life.

"It was like a thank-you to the faculty and staff," Marriott said of his thesis. The film propelled his career forward, and Marriott is looking forward to his directing debut.

"I feel really ready, really prepared and a little scared," Marriott said. There are two ways to proceed, he said. You can get nervous about the millions of dollars spent on the film, and how much is riding on it, or you can break it down and focus on the basic elements. Relying on the talent of the director and understanding the actors and story line is crucial, Marriott said.

"You have to be confident enough to let the actors work together to bring chemistry and fireworks to the screen.

"I'm so excited to have the opportunity to do what I've set out to do in my life," Marriott said. "It's a wonderful thing to do something you love and to feel confident you can do it."

Marriott said this was the perfect film to start with because it is fairly small. "You shouldn't just wait for a big project. I'm a working director and want to show my growth through all my work," he said.

"Of The Farm" is a realistic drama focusing on a family and the complicated emotional relationships they have with each other. There is a lot of humanity, humor and tension in the characters' lives, Marriott said. He said weaving these elements into his film will be challenging.

Marriott will be working closely with Larson.

"It's terrific to have the opportunity of working with (Larson)," Marriott said. "He's a really interesting and genuine man who wants to be helpful. He gave me a chance," Marriott said.

Marriott said he didn't want to limit himself to one film genre, because he would rather be able to do a range of films. He considers his nine-minute comedy before "The Snow Child," his most successful film to date.

Marriott said his next project might be a lighter story about some kids who are climbers.

eading books can help overcome phobias

ELYSSA MADSEN
Universe Staff Writer

rate National Book Month, ay want to consider a bene- mes from reading: curing nfronting them in books.

udents should consider the books:

ypochondriacs: Fear of and bodily annihilation can me by reading William T. "Ebola" and Richard "The Hot Zone." Detailing eak of Ebola in humans in in monkeys in Reston, Va., ly, these two books leave determined to be healthy.

se afraid of governmental 1984" by George Orwell. tale of government power s readers purge their fears ional control. Readers will words like "Newspeak," therhood," "Oceania" and They will also understand the allusions to "Big Brother is Watching You."

- Fear of paradigm shifts: Learn to accept fastidious organization and organizational behavior applied to the family in Stephen R. Covey's latest work, "The Seven Habits of Highly Effective Families." One should also note that reading Covey also helps readers to overcome fear of the number seven.
- Fear of writing: Readers can cure their fear of writing by immersing themselves in the world of an author exposed in Annie Dillard's "The Writing Life." Stories of inspiration, revision, existentialism and more revision make term papers seem insignificant, in comparison with a life bound to the computer.
- Fear of weddings: Accept and embrace floral arrangements, color schemes, coordinators and petit fours through "Martha Stewart's Weddings." Limited text, a dearth of floral designs, and an onslaught of pastel colors will reconcile even the most anti-committal BYU coed to her eternal destiny.
- Fear of the mob/rednecks/random assassins: John Grisham has many novels chronicling virtuous lawyers pitted against all sorts of societal scum. These books create a healthy atmosphere of suspicion and paranoia. For fear of the mob, consider reading "The Firm" or "The Client." The fear of rednecks is addressed in "A Time To Kill." For those wishing to avoid random assassins, Grisham's newest book "The Partner," chronicles a lawyer's attempt to avoid random assassins hired by his former business partners.
- Fear of men: Garrison Keillor's "The Book of Guys" explains in painful detail the exciting world of Sportscenter and facial hair in his parody of his own gender.
- Fear of women: A more vengeful book than movie, "The First Wives' Club" by Olivia Goldsmith explores women's capacity for strength, support and revenge. This book will help men overcome their fear of women by understanding that their loved ones aren't half as psychotic as the characters in this novel.
- Fear of dating/commitment: First, overcome dating fears by reading "The Complete Idiot's Guide to Dating" by Judy Kunansky. This book has unintentional humor featuring "solid information on where to go to meet quality singles" — the Cougareat is never mentioned — and "fun quizzes for charting your progress." After overcoming a fear of dating, learn to commit, by reading "Mars and Venus Together Forever" by John Gray, Ph.D. In this book, Gray simplifies a wealth of male/female issues by reducing gender to heavenly orbs. When readers finish this book, they should no longer fear commitment and be willing to pursue eternal relationships with a planet.

TODAY

THEATER

COMEDY: "Shoemaker's Holiday," a merry Elizabethan love comedy, will be performed in the Margetts Theatre tonight at 7:30. The show is directed by Kathy Biesinger and will run through Feb. 7. Tickets tonight only are $3.50 for students, $4.50 general. Call 378-HFAC for tickets or more information.

SHAKESPEARE: The BYU Theatre Department's production of William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" will be performed today at 7:30 p.m. in the Pardoe Theatre. David Morgan is the director; the show will run through Feb. 7. Tickets are $7 for students, $9 general. Call 378-HFAC for tickets or more information.

MUSICAL COMEDY: "Forever Plaid" will be performed at Provo Theatre Company, 105 E. 100 North, tonight at 8. It's a musical comedy that both parodies and pays homage to the music of the '50s. Tickets are $12.50 and $15, with some student discounts available. Call 379-0600 for more information.

MOVIES

INTERNATIONAL CINEMA: Three films about love are playing at the International Cinema, 250 SWKT, this week. Showtimes are for today only. "Oedipus Rex" (1967, 110 minutes) is based on Sophocles' tragedy about a man who has a very close relationship with his mother. It's in Italian with English subtitles and shows at 7:05 p.m. "Judou" (1990, 93 minutes) is about the "illicit love of a mistreated wife" in 1920s China. It's in Mandarin with English subtitles and plays at 3:15 and 9:10 p.m. "The Grass Harp" (1995, 107 minutes) is about a tree-house, odd women and a love affair between two old people. It's in English and shows at 5 p.m. Admission to all shows is free with an IC card; $1 otherwise.

DANCE PRODUCTION: The BYU Dancers' Company will present its modern dance show tonight at 7:30 in the de Jong Concert Hall. Classical, abstract, jazz and humorous works will all be performed. Tickets are $6 for students, $8 general. Call 378-HFAC for more information.

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Cougars look to tame Lobos

By ADAM WHITTEN
Universe Sports Writer

To label the next two games critical or the BYU men's basketball team would be an understatement.

After losing on the road to Air Force Saturday night, the Cougars face No. 13 New Mexico tonight and UTEP Saturday. Tip-off for both games is scheduled for 7:05 p.m. MST.

All season long, BYU head coach Steve Cleveland has said the team's goal was to qualify for the WAC Tournament. Saturday's loss to Air Force could end up keeping the Cougars from reaching their goal unless they win against some teams they are not supposed to beat. New Mexico and UTEP are two of those teams.

"I've been pleased with the effort of our team this season," Cleveland said. "I'm pleased with the way we've competed."

BYU, 6-13 overall and 1-4 in the WAC, goes into the game against New Mexico (14-3, 4-1) as a huge underdog. BYU has lost three straight games and faces a New Mexico team challenging Utah for first place in the WAC's Mountain Division.

Ron Selleaze continues to lead the Cougars in scoring with 17.1 points per game. He also leads the team in rebounding with an average of 7.3 boards per game.

Mekeli Wesley, who paced the Cougars in preconference games, has struggled against WAC competition. His overall average of 11.6 points per game is somewhat misleading, considering he is averaging only 7.6 points per game in WAC play.

Tonight's game will be New Mexico's fifth road game in six games. Two of New Mexico's losses have been to nationally ranked Arizona and UCLA.

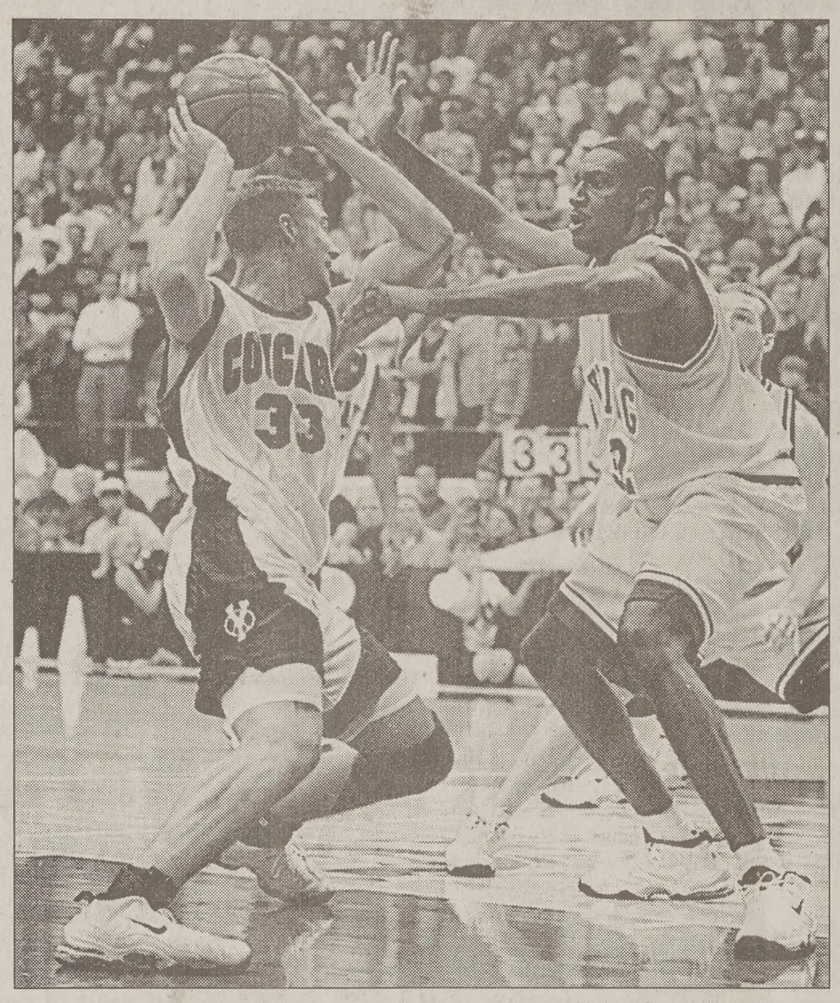
The Lobos return four starters from last season's NCAA tournament team. Kenny Thomas, a preseason All-American, leads the team in scoring (17.9) and rebounding(9.3) this season.

New Mexico's coaching staff is stable, as head coach Dave Bliss and assistant coach Doug Ash have the longest tenure among head and assistant coaches in the country.

BYU leads the overall series 56-40 but were swept by the Lobos last year. New Mexico won last season at the Marriott Center 90-48.

Cleveland had little time to concentrate on basketball this week after learning of a severe car accident involving his son immediately after the Cougars' game with Air Force. Cleveland's 20 year-old son suffered a broken hand and severed his index finger.

Cleveland spent three days with his family in the hospital after his son rolled his truck coming home from Las Vegas Saturday night following the University of Utah's game at UNLV. Cleveland said he thinks his son will fully recover and is just happy that he is alive.



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BYU freshman forward Bart Jepsen drives past a Wyoming defender. The Cougars take on New Mexico in the Marriott Center tonight.

Swimming pumped for Vegas meet

By COREY DAVIS
Universe Sports Writer

The men's swimming and diving team takes off for Las Vegas this Friday and Saturday, but not to go gambling.

The Cougars will travel to UNLV to take on the Rebels and the Hawai'i Rainbows in a two-day swim meet.

The Rebels beat BYU in the WAC championships last year so the Cougars are seeking revenge. Both teams have swimmers ranked nationally.

"(The Rebels) said they are shooting for us; and we are shooting for them," said Byron Shefchik, a nationally-ranked senior. "They might be more powerful, but if we step it up we can take them."

The Rebels are expected to be contenders for the WAC championship again.

"It will give us confidence for the WAC championships if we beat UNLV," Shefchik said. "It's exciting."

BYU has been training hard the last several weeks, but the days before a meet are times to take it easier and get rested.

"Our goal is to continue to swim well," said coach Tim Powers.

The Cougars have many strengths, but so do the Rebels.

The Cougars are glad to have Arunas Savickas back. During the last meet against New Mexico, Savickas was in Australia swimming in the world championships. Savickas is one of the top swimmers in the nation.

"Savickas swims everything very well," Powers said. "He makes our relays go so much faster. He swims a perfect stroke all of the time."

Savickas' and Shefchik's times in the backstroke and the breaststroke are among the top five in the nation this year.

"My focus is on the WAC championships and the NCAA championships. I would like our team to win the WAC," Savickas said.

This meet with UNLV and Hawai'i will be a meet to help prepare the Cougars for the championships.

Powers said that BYU is still focusing on its speed, and the Cougars are adapting to the higher levels needed for the WAC championships.

Tennis teams put on instructional clinic for all

By STEVE SHAW
Universe Sports Writer

The men's and women's tennis teams are preparing for their meets this weekend by holding a free instructional clinic to introduce the team members to students and faculty.

The clinic will be held Friday from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Smith Fieldhouse tennis courts. Door prizes will be given away and contests will be held to test students' skills against the members of the team.

"Beginners and all abilities are welcome," said Jim Osborne, head coach of the men's tennis team. "We don't want anybody to feel left out. If you don't have a racket, we can provide one for you."

Osborne is excited about this chance to introduce the teams to the students.

"We'd like to get as many people as possible to come and get to know the team," Osborne said. "Just come out and get some hits with the balls and have some fun."

Coaches and players will be on hand to help participants with serves, forehands, backhands, drop shots and all the shots in between. The coaches and players can even look at racket strings to see if they are too tight or loose, or if someone needs a different size of racket. Osborne want students to come and get pointers on how to improve their games, and if nothing else, to get some hits in during the long winter months.

Coaches and players will be passing out flyers and posters in the dorms and around campus to advertise the event.

A demonstration of mixed doubles is also on the schedule to help students and faculty get a glimpse of the kind of action they can see at the teams' upcoming meets this weekend.

The women will face Tennessee at noon Saturday, which will be followed by the men facing Montana State at 5 p.m.

"(Saturday) will be a good day for people to come and see some tennis," Osborne said. "It's free to get in, and we'll be giving away free prizes during the match."

Osborne is excited to be home from the men's first road trip of the season and is hoping to get a good crowd to cheer on his team.

"It's important for us to win at home," Osborne said. "We may not be at full strength this weekend, so we'd like to get as many people out as possible."

Osborne is optimistic about this year's men's team.

"We've got a very young team, with only two seniors, but this is probably the deepest and most talented team I've had," Osborne said.

"This is the kind of team that will need a lot of matches to develop," Osborne said. "We invariably have trouble in the first part of the season."

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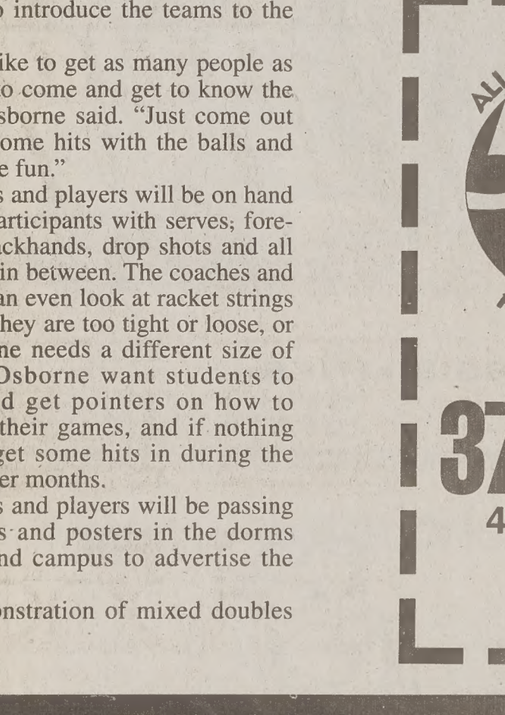

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guard Babata Mink drives past a UNLV defender. The Cougars their three-game winning streak on the road this weekend with contests against UTEP Thursday and New Mexico Saturday.

omen's basketball team face Miners in El Paso

CHELSEA LEINENBACH
Universe Sports Writer

BYU women's basketball team the road again this week, facing in El Paso, Texas at 6:00 p.m. t.

just came off a really good game stretch over the weekend st week, so I think that our con- ce is back up," said Babata , a 5-foot-5-inch guard for the ars. "We know how important ame is, so I think that we are to go in there ready to play, and e going to play really well. If we s, then we will come away with "

Cougars lost to UTEP the last he two played, Jan. 3, despite g at home. The game came to the final minutes as UTEP d with a 66-64 win. UTEP overall record of 10-7 and a record of 5-2 and is ranked in the Mountain Division. The rs' overall record in comparison overall and 3-4 in the Despite this, the Cougars are into this game unafraid, d and ready for another win.

lost to UTEP last time we them, but I think that we have together much more as a team," orja Cox, a 5-foot-10-inch "They have some great ath- but we are a little bit smarter little bit more disciplined then re. And if we play the way we how and the way we have been g, then we shouldn't have any ms winning."

has been on a refreshing win- tretch and is working hard in e to keep up the momentum. have been focusing on reducing novers a lot in practice," Mink and I can see an improvement already. We will hopefully continue to improve in the next few games. We also have been focusing on making smart passes. Basically, it all comes down to making smart decisions, smart passes and reducing turnovers."

Along with turnovers and passes, the Cougars are working hard on their rebounding for Thursday's game.

"The biggest key against UTEP will be our rebounds, and we have been working a lot on those in practice, as well as our defensive transition so that we can get there before they make any baskets," Cox said.

The Cougars feel they have the confidence and momentum in their favor in the next few games and hope to come back with a few more wins.

"With the last few wins we have really gained some confidence and we are really starting to know how to play together and that really helps a lot; it really makes the difference," Cox said.

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	WAC			Overall		
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	3	4	.429	12	6	.667
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Mountain Division

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e	0	7	.000	5	12	.294

Wrestlers prepared to grapple with Orego

By STEVE SHAW
Universe Sports Writer

After an easy win over Portland State last Friday, the BYU wrestling team prepares to face two nationally-ranked teams at home this weekend.

Hoping to ride the momentum of the win over Portland State, the Cougars will face 20th-ranked Oregon tonight in the Smith Fieldhouse at 7 p.m.

Tonight's meet will be the first of four dual meets against ranked teams. All of the teams the Cougars will face are ranked in the top 20, with Saturday's opponent, Arizona State, ranked No. 5.

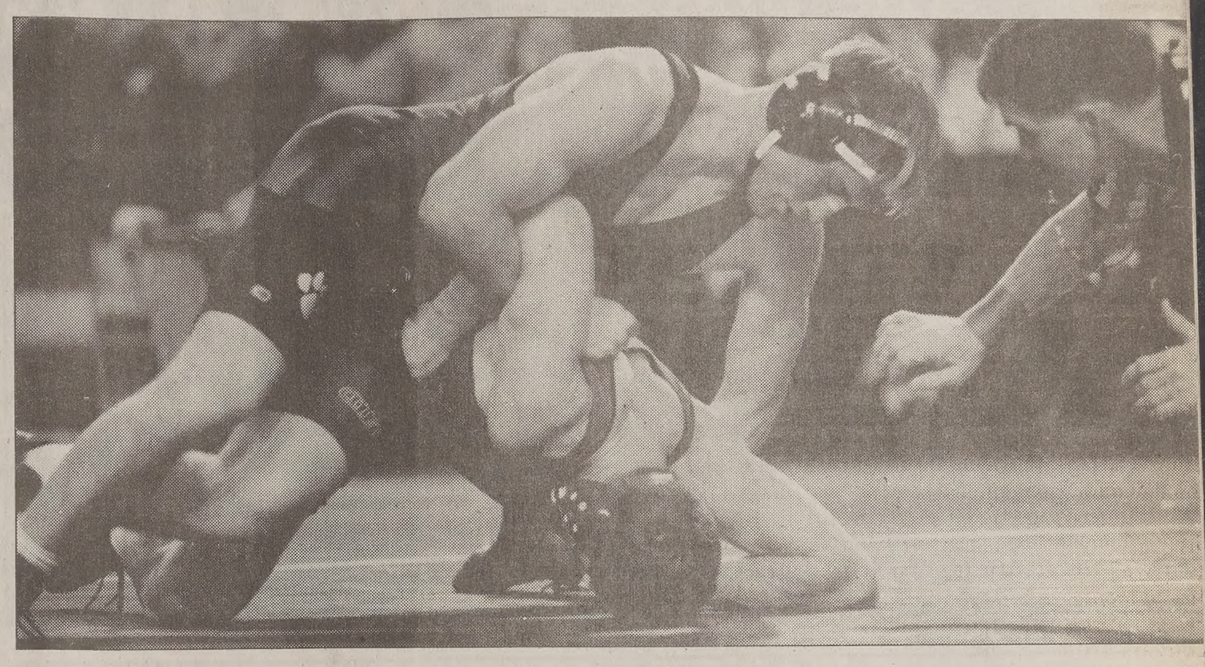
"(Oregon) is pretty tough," coach Mark Schultz said. "We haven't beat them since I've been here."

Oregon comes into this meet with a record of 6-2 in dual meets. Oregon has won two dual meets in a row. One of those wins was against defending WAC champ Fresno State, a team that beat the Cougars during their long road trip to California.

"This meet will be the start of the toughest competition of the year," Schultz said. "(Oregon) will be the toughest dual meet we've faced so far this year."

Senior John Kelly, fresh off an impressive second-round pin against Portland State, has been named the Western Athletic Conference Wrestler of the Week.

Kelly wrestles in the 126-pound class and has won three consecutive matches to improve his record to 8-9.



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BYU's Brett Gappmayer, top, works over Portland State's Wayne Miller in a meet last week. The Cougars host 20th-ranked Oregon tonight fifth-ranked Arizona State Saturday.

> ***"This meet will be the start of the toughest competition of the year"***
> *— Mark Schultz, wrestling coach*

Kelly is the only senior on the team and was WAC champion last year in his weight class and a two-time NCAA tournament qualifier.

This is the second week in a row that a BYU wrestler has won Wrestler of the Week honors. Last week, freshman Chris Miller, who wrestles in the heavyweight class, won the honor for the second time this season.

Also, Nathan Walker will be taking over as assistant coach to replace Larry Nugent, who left to be the assistant to the director of USA wrestling in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

BYU comes into tonight's dual with a record of 4-3 in dual com tion.

After tonight's meet, the Cou will face Arizona State Saturday p.m. in the Smith Fieldhouse.

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If the bill is passed, insurance companies, which already cover the cost of prescription drugs, would also be required to pay the cost of birth control. A study conducted by the Allen Guttmacher Institute found that 97 percent of insurance companies cover prescriptions, but only a third cover oral contraceptives.

Supporters of the bill claim the expensive costs of birth control lead many women not to use it, causing unplanned pregnancies. Allen said these pregnancies cost insurance companies more than it would to pay for birth control.

Opponents claim that the bill will increase costs to insurance companies, and those costs will be passed on to clients. Kevin Bischoff, vice president of Regence Blue Cross Blue Shield of Utah, said his company opposes the bill.

"Mandated benefits will simply increase costs and will drive small employers out of the market," Bischoff said. "Many will either drop their health insurance or pass the costs on to employees."

Congressional opponents said benefit packages for employees depend more on individual businesses than on insurance companies.

One insurance employee said companies can choose which benefits to pay for.

"If we continue to force insurance companies to pay for additional costs, prices will go up, and that will increase the cost of coverage to all citizens," Rep. Tammy J. Rowan said. "It may come down to deciding between insurance coverage or bills for many low-income families."

Many insurance companies already cover the cost of birth control. If passed, the bill would affect a third of Utah providers. Many opponents fear those affected would be small businesses that are self-insured and cannot afford additional costs.

The bill will be voted on in the congressional session.

RS proposes reorganization

Associated Press

INGTON — The Internal
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The Clinton administration is pushing the plan before Senate Republicans begin reworking an IRS overhaul bill that passed the House in November.

"Like every taxpayer, I am outraged by the reports of abuses by the IRS," Clinton said Tuesday night in his State of the Union speech. He called for new citizen advisory panels, a stronger taxpayer advocate, 24-hour telephone service for taxpayers, relief for innocent taxpayers — and swift Senate action on IRS reforms.

"Tonight I challenge the Senate: As your first order of business, pass our bipartisan package of IRS reforms — now," Clinton said.

Next week, the National Performance Review, Vice President Al Gore's "reinventing government" group, will release a detailed report on IRS restructuring.

A key principle of the effort, billed as "modernizing America's tax agency," would have the IRS better "understand and solve problems from a taxpayer's point of view," according to an IRS briefing paper.

"There are a lot of sleepy bureaucrats who will be upset about this," said Jeffrey S. Trinca, a former chief of staff of the National Commission on Restructuring the IRS, a congressionally-appointed panel that proposed ways to overhaul the agency.

Rossotti also summarized several actions the IRS has taken since he became commissioner last November: monthly "problem-solving days" in district offices to handle difficult taxpayer cases, internal audits of agency's management and closer review of property seizures.

"I want to assure the committee that it is a new day at the IRS," Rossotti said.

The reorganization would create the new "wage and investment income" group to serve some 100 million tax filers; a small-business group serving 25 million; a large corporate group serving 100,000; and a pension group serving 1.8 million.

"Assuming this comes about, this is a radical change in the approach of the service to doing business," said Phil Brand, a former IRS chief compliance officer now with KPMG Peat Marwick LLP in Washington.

The plan will give the IRS "more of an opportunity to specialize with those types of issues dealing with taxpayers," said Lawrence M. Hill, a tax attorney at Brown & Wood LLP in New York. "Time will tell whether this is cosmetic or radical reconstructive surgery."

ghland plans for new town square

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Universe Staff Writer

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Planner Ted Stillman.

Development of the town square will occur over the next 20 years, as the community of Highland is expected to grow from 7,500 to 25,000 residents in that time period.

Planners noted that the town square will serve Alpine residents as well, since Alpine has few services and residents must drive through Highland to get anywhere else. Alpine and Highland expect to have a combined population of 45,000 within 20 years.

The town square will serve recreational, civic and commercial interests. A new city hall, police and fire station, community library and possibly a recreation center are expected to be built in the northwest area. Small retail businesses and office space are expected to comprise the northwestern portion.

Much of the southern half of the site will be devoted to a public park. The Lehi ditch will run through the park, offering residents a place to wade in the summer and skate during the winter months. The site may also include space for a new church building.

Joe Alfrandre, a city developer from Maryland, led the planners in drafting a downtown center that would not invite a lot of traffic, thus providing residents a pleasant place to go for a walk.

Alfrandre said most of the conceptual layout was complete.

Now city planners must look into architectural design and how to manage parking, Alfrandre said. City planners are also working on reducing heavy traffic and maintaining a city park atmosphere.

City mayor Jess Adamson said he wants the town square to accommodate specific community needs. He doesn't want it to contain large retail stores that can be found in nearby cities. Mayor Adamson said he "wanted to build a community that isn't only defined by its homes and its commerce, but by its rich heritage."

w town makes easy transition

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Lehi City Recorder Connie Ashton said Lehi had the opportunity to annex the area, and they turned it down.

"I don't think there was any opposition," Ashton said.

> ***"We think this is the finest place in the state to build a new city."***
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> *— Reid L. Wayman, Saratoga Springs councilman*

Saratoga Springs Councilman Reid L. Wayman said it was important for Saratoga Springs to keep a good relationship with the surrounding cities.

"We think this is the finest place in the state to build a new city," Wayman said.

Johnson said his first responsibility as mayor was to get insurance and a city attorney. He then presented different boundary locations to the city council.

Wayman said the greatest challenge the city faces is the water supply.

"Any new developer must provide water for his development," Wayman said.

There is one major well for the entire city at present.

Five or six new developments, of 300 homes, are being planned for June. A new well is being planned too, he said.

Wayman said one development is planning on building one-acre ranchette lots with animal rights.

The city is ideal for riding horses and off-road vehicles, and the area does not have to deal with pollution, he said.

"Not only do we have a beautiful view, but you don't get all that haze from the east side of Utah Lake," Wayman said.

The 7,000-acre town has not annexed any new area yet, but Johnson said they were waiting to see what happens.

"At the present time it is mostly a farming community," Johnson said. "But we hope it will end up a bedroom community, with moderate businesses as time goes by."

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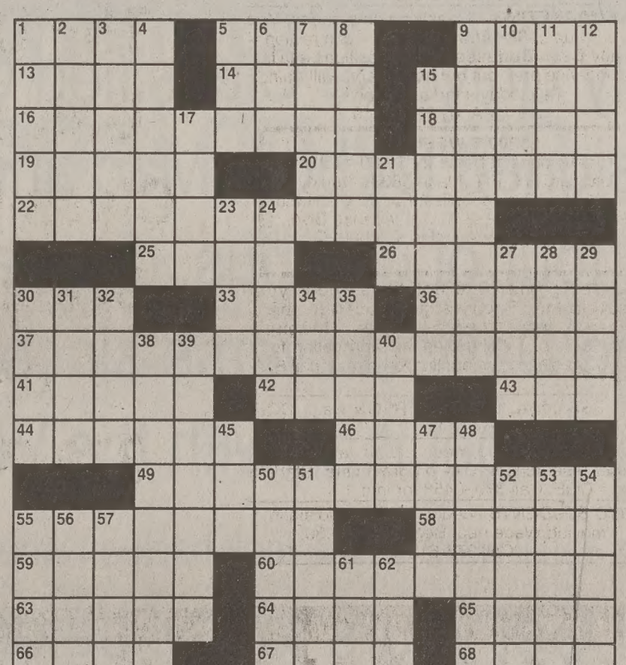

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Syndrome not fully understood

By JUSTIN ROHATINSKY
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A highly misunderstood yet fairly ommon syndrome is being found mong Provo residents.

Fibromyalgia, a musculoskeletal yndrome, is still not understood very ell, said Gaylene Carlson, co-presient of the Utah Valley Fibromyalgia upport Group.

"For example, it is not understood ow the syndrome is contracted; some octors even think it is hereditary," he said.

The syndrome has been around ince the late 1970s, but only started being diagnosed as fibromyalgia in the early '90s.

Research has not provided any clear answers to the many questions that are being asked.

"Fibromyalgia is a fairly recently discovered musculoskeletal syndrome which can affect different people in many different ways," Carlson said. "Locally, there are approximately 400 people on the fibromyalgia mailing list in Utah County, and the number is growing rapidly."

Fibromyalgia affects between 3 percent and 5 percent of the U.S. population, or approximately 7 million people, said Madeline Rush, program coordinator for the Utah chapter of the Arthritis Foundation. Women between the ages of 20 and 40 are most commonly affected by the disease, she said.

Symptoms can range from simple mild pain of the muscles and joints to a full-fledged case of depression or chronic fatigue syndrome, Rush said. Some cases have also reported cognitive disorders, she said.

"There are ways to live with the syndrome. The key is in management, not treatment," Carlson said.

"People with various physical symptoms of the syndrome can and do take medication to ease pain or help reverse the symptoms ... But they still need to learn how to manage it," Rush said.

"The advice that I would give to anyone who thinks that they might have fibromyalgia is to get diagnosed. This is a disease that can make life hard to live if you don't know you have it," Carlson said.

A meeting of the Utah Valley Fibromyalgia Education and Support Group will be at the Orem Community Hospital Feb. 4 at 7 p.m. The free discussion will be entitled "Stress Management and Self Hypnosis: Controlling the Symptoms of Fibromyalgia."

Orem City Blitz awarded $10,000

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U.S. West presented Orem city with a $10,000 check at the city council meeting Tuesday night. The money is to be used for the annual city-wide Blitz, which will be held May 11-16.

Blitz '98, as it is called this year, is a "community-wide neighborhood revitalization," said Konrad Hildebrandt, Orem Community and Neighborhood Services director.

"We paint houses, clean yards, put up street signs, do landscaping, put house numbers on curbs and do public safety type stuff," Hildebrandt said.

Orem solicits volunteers, families, clubs, church groups and businesses to get involved in the Blitz. "By soliciting corporate sponsors, we can do a lot more," Hildebrandt said.

Ted Smith, Utah vice president for U.S. West, presented the check to the city council. He commented on U.S. West's slogan: "Life's better here."

"We believe life is better here," Smith said. U.S. West wants to be a "good corporate community citizen" by donating to Blitz '98.

Most of the funding comes in the form of a Federal Community Development Block Grant. Hildebrandt said the city gets starts early in the year by contacting a low to moderate income neighborhood. Together, the city and the selected neighborhood discuss what can be done to improve the surrounding community.

Leader threatens to resign

Associated Press

GAZA City, Gaza Strip — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has threatened to resign if the United States pressures him to accept Israel's skimpy territorial offer, aides said Wednesday, underscoring Palestinian gloom over the stymied peace process.

It was not clear how serious Arafat's threat was or if he was simply using it as a negotiating tool. Arafat has not groomed a successor and his resignation would likely bring the peace process to a complete halt — a scenario the United States would not want to see happen.

In a blow to U.S. efforts to revive the process, Arafat also rejected a U.S. proposal for Israel to withdraw troops from West Bank land in very small steps, each followed by Palestinian compliance with Israel's demands on security and other issues.

"The step-by-step formula for withdrawal is rejected," Arafat's spokesman Nabil Abourdeneh said in an interview Wednesday. "There are agreements that have specific outlines and formulas — a three-stage withdrawal. Security is a different issue."

52 killed in Algeria; death toll rises

Associated Press

ALGIERS, Algeria — Armed Islamic groups killed at least 34 people in three separate attacks, security forces said Wednesday. Eighteen Muslim rebels were also killed, including one known as "the throat-slasher," they said.

The bloodshed Tuesday was a continuation of the violence that has wracked this North African country since 1992, peaking during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, which ended Wednesday night .

Security forces said 13 people were killed in an attack in the Blida region, 30 miles south of Algiers; nine in the Djelfa region, 170 miles south of the capital; and 12 in the Laghouat area, 250 miles south of Algiers.

The security forces released the information over state-run radio. They provided no further details.

Three armed rebels were killed in Laghouat and four in Blida by security forces fanning out in the regions after the massacres, the statement said.

In the Medea region, 60 miles south of Algiers, security forces killed 11 armed insurgents, including a chieftain identified by security forces only as "the throat-slasher."

Algeria "fights terrorism and heals its wounds on its own, thanks to the mobilization of the entire population and the battle without mercy led by its security services," the state-run news agency APS said.

It was referring to offers, notably by the European Union, to help Algerian authorities with humanitarian aid and unspecified assistance.

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